GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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ESTABLISHMENT OF INDIAN INSTITUTES OF TECHNOLOGY
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(A) whether some States have represented to the Union Government for establishment of Indian Institutes of Technology in their respective States;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether the Union Government propose to establish Indian Institute of Technology, keeping in view the rapid progress being made in the field of technology in the world;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (Dr. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) & (b) : Yes Sir. Proposals for establishment of Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) have been received from Bihar, Jharkhand, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh.

(c) to (e) : The issue of opening of new IITs was discussed bythe Task Force on HRD in IT set up by the Hon'blePrime Minister. The Task Force has recommended that possibility of opening new IITs in the country could be explored so that quality technical education reaches larger number of students. Meanwhile, considering resource constraints and huge investment, other cost-effective options such as increase in student intake and upgradation of existing institutions is being facilitated.